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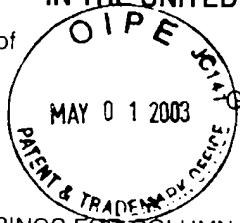
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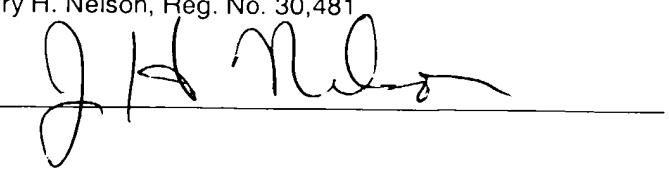
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Responsive to the Final Official Action dated March 11, 2003, please amend the
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